



Storm Cunningham

Additional Information

[Revitalization Institute](#) is involved in projects at the earliest stages of visioning, strategizing, etc. The Institute's primary purpose is to advance integrated approaches to renewing natural, built, and cultural assets. We do this by developing tools and schools that offer what we refer to as the 4Ts: Theory, taxonomy, terminology, and tools. With these, communities and regions are able to bring together diverse stakeholders to create visions, strategies, programs, plans, and projects that fund and renew all of their restorable assets in the most efficient manner and in the optimal sequence.

Current examples of the Institute's activities include working with Environment Canada (Canada's EPA) on their national Sustainable Cities program, and on their Great Lakes/St. Lawrence Seaway restoration program, and helping with the early stages of a statewide rural revitalization initiative in North Carolina. We are also working with several Canadian non-profits to create an integrated revitalization program for southern Ontario. And, we are working with several Polish non-profits--plus the U.S. State Department--on an integrated revitalization program for central Poland.

Recent Speaking Engagements

Storm Cunningham has been a keynote speaker for a wide range of organizations; he has also put on a number restoration workshops for the U.S. Department of State and has addressed EPA and EDA (Economic Development Administration) executives. Below is a partial listing of recent events at which Storm has spoken. A full listing of recent speaking engagements is available at <http://www.stormcunningham.com>

Storm Cunningham's book, [The Restoration Economy](#), is recommended or required reading for courses at many universities, and has been the impetus for consolidation of the diverse practitioners who engage in restoration activities. Storm advocates that self-sustaining revitalization projects should be multidisciplinary.

Keynote addresses:

November 10-11, 2005 **Los Angeles, CA, USA Creating Communities that Work**. Storm will keynote this event, which celebrates the 10th Anniversary of the Community Development Technologies Center, a nationally recognized

nonprofit community development organization affiliated with the Los Angeles Trade Technical College. The conference is being held in collaboration with Los Angeles Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa, and State Assemblyman Mark Ridley-Thomas. Both are invited guests, along with former U.S. Treasurer Robert Rubin. Location: SBC Tower.

September 8-9, 2005 **Grand Rapids, MI, USA** Storm is the luncheon keynoter on Sept. 8 at the **First Annual Great Lakes Restoration Conference: *The Future of the Lakes is in Our Hands***, sponsored by the **Healing Our Waterssm Great Lakes Coalition**. Other speakers include Governor Jennifer Granholm of Michigan and Stephen Johnson, Administrator of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

May 3, 2005 - **Boston, MA, USA EnviroExpo 2005**. Storm is the keynote speaker at this leading-edge conference for environmental professionals. His talk is entitled: "*The Restoration Economy: The greatest new frontier for green services and technologies.*"

September 15, 2004 **Exton, PA XL Environmental** Business Council conference. Storm was the keynote speaker.

Workshops and Seminars:

February 8, 2005 **Washington, DC, USA** Restorative development workshop for **U.S. Department of State**. Sustainable development experts from approximately 20 countries in attendance; all of them are provided copies of ***The Restoration Economy*** by the State Department. [This is the 5th program Storm has done for the U.S. State Department's International Visitors Program.]

June 30, 2004 **Washington, DC Brownfields 2020** Revitalization Institute, ICMA (the Int'l City & County Managers Assoc.) & Tetra Tech, Inc. jointly present a trial run of the new 1/2-day workshop on *Integrated Brownfields Restoration* to 30 government, non-profit, and industry leaders. Invitation- only event. Storm Cunningham and Tim Fields (of Tetra Tech, formerly a senior official at EPA) presented, and Joe Schilling of ICMA moderated.

March 16, 2004 **Washington, DC** (10-12 am) National Building Museum. Storm addressed the **Federal Preservation Institute's** Federal Training Workgroup. The meeting was designed to help 45 federal agencies figure out how to adjust to the requirements of Executive Order 13287, known as *Preserve America*. The order requires federal agencies to restore historic federal properties in a way that contributes to community, state, &/or tribal revitalization. The Federal Preservation Institute is an arm of the National Park Service, which administers the National Register of Historic Places.